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Dear Mr. Mensing:

Reference: (St. Clair County - 16304529 - East St. Louis/ACF Industries)

Regarding your letter of October 12 and our subsequent conversation of October 15, the status of removing the existing lagoons in conjunction with construction of a new waste treatment system at our East St. Louis facility is as follows:

Pursuant to your letter of May 11, 1979, I met with Mr. Tom Cavanagh (Permit Section Manager) and Mr. Aaron C. Chan (Environmental Protection Engineer) in order to discuss the Shippers Car Line Division's plans to construct a new waste treatment facility, and thus, eliminate the existing lagoons at the East St. Louis Plant. As discussed with Messrs. Cavanagh and Chann, we have programmed a three phase construction plan. This program and anticipated dates of completion are as follows:

Phase I Provide for total containment - Spring 1980.

The first phase is designed to provide for total containment through the elimination of the existing lagoons and construction of concrete equilization tanks with a hypalon-lined effluent lagoon.

Phase II Secondary treatment - 1980

The second phase of the program calls for the construction of a batch tank with associated chemical processing equipment along with a second hypalon lined sludge lagoon.

Phase III Hypalon replacement - 1981

The two hypalon lagoons will be replaced with concrete sludge and effluent tanks.

We are also anticipating connecting to a POTW at this time.

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Note:

Any waste products which exceed the holding tank capacities will have to be hauled off for appropriate treatment and/or disposal until final connection to a POTW is realized.

The Design Engineer for this project has been selected. Both the engineer and myself met with Messrs. Chan and J. D. Rankin on August 19 in order to discuss questions concerning the application to construct. This application along with the forms required by Mr. Cavanagh are anticipated to be submitted for review by mid November.

Per our telephone conversation of October 15, I understand that this time frame (with beginning of construction scheduled for the spring) meets with your approval.

Sincerely,

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